ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF MONROE, N. H.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1898.

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TOWN REPORT.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of the Treasurer for the year ending Feb. 15, 1898.

The following sums have been paid into the treasury.

Paid by Alexander Warden, collector	$ 4,273 73
C. H. Hosford, collector for 1896	680 51
N. J. Bolton, collector for 1895	49 23
County	50 02
Willis Smith, for fines	15 00
State	132 94
License on dogs	74 30
Cash in treasury Feb. 15, 1897	741 27
	$ 6,017 00

Money paid by Treasurer on orders given by the Selectmen ending Feb. 15, 1898, $5,768.01. Balance in treasury, $248.99.

EDWARD EMERY, Treasurer.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid by Henry Hinman, Road Agent.

Paid Henry Hinman, 61 1-2 days	$ 118 95
Henry Hinman, team, 25 days	39 00
Fred Millen, labor, 27 3-4 days	41 62

Paid Albert Nelson, labor, 45 1-4 days	$ 67 92
Geo. R. Emery, 4 horses, 16 1-2 days	82 50
A. M. Pratt, labor and sharpening drills	2 00
Joe Clair, 5 days and stringers	9 00
I. F. Page, spikes, etc.	3 27
Francis Fisher, 1-2 day	75
A. L. Hunt, labor and team, 17 1-2 days	52 50
Anson Moore, 1 day	1 50
Wm. J. Higgins, plank	50
H. C. Nelson, posts, log and labor	1 50
Charles McTava, blasting rock	1 00
P. C. Smith, labor	1 00
Geo. McCoy, 8 days, 2 hours	12 25
Martin Turner and team, 2 days	6 00
John Hastings, 2 days	3 00
E. A. Willey, 4 1-2 days	6 75
H. C. Kent and team, 2 days, and man 3 days	10 50
H. C. Kent, planks	66
Geo. Shepard, 3 1-2 hours	50
Elmer Goodwin, labor	7 80
Hugh Duncan, repairing	25
Frank George, repairing	20
Conn. River Lumber Co., planks	7 91
Sherburn Lang, posts and planks	2 73
R. B. Hall, labor	50
Wm. Hunt, 10 days	15 00
Henry Hunt, 5 1-2 days	8 25
Frank Moore, repairing pole	2 00
Eugene Bedell, team, 5 hours,	1 35
Scott Farnum, repairing machine	2 75
D. Greenwood, 18 hours	3 00
Henry George, posts and labor	2 19
Willis Emery, labor	1 00
C. M. Paddleford, labor and planks	2 65

Paid Oscar Frazer, team and boy	$ 3 50
Gilbert Chamberlin, labor	1 00
Harris Emery, labor	50
Alvah Dickinson, labor	2 75
R. M. Johnson, 2 days	3 00
Newel Stearie, planks	12 40
Geo. Pratt, labor	60
Arthur Fisher, 1 3-4 days	2 62
Wm. H. French, labor	2 00
R. A. Moore, labor and planks	7 00
J. M. Boys, 278 feet planks	2 31
E. J. Roy, 1012 feet planks,	10 43
Henry Hinman, plank	1 00
John H. Lang, (1896)	3 25
W. H. Bedell, "	3 07
E. Crawford, "	2 40
H. C. Nelson, "	2 60
Harry Lang, "	7 40
Amount paid out for roads,	$ 588 08

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Paid C. B. Paddleford, taking paupers to county farm	$ 1 00
Republic Journal, printing reports 1897	27 90
George I. Moore, check list	4 75
Gilbert Chamberlin, for memorial	20 00
C. H. Hosford, school supplies	110 84
Conn. River Lumber Co. lumber and stone for cemetery fence	37 10
George Bort, labor on cemetery fence 10 3-4 days	16 12

Paid Albert Mehan, 2 1-2 days	$ 3 75
George Moore, 9 days	15 75
James Folger, labor	1 00
T. F. Page, nails and bolts for fence	2 70
Goodrich, bolts	1 00
R. M. Johnson, school house shed	33 85
Ray T. Gile, surveying line	13 00
Frank George, repairing hearse and road machine	70
Homer Smith, driving hearse	6 00
R. M. Johnson, books and stationery	5 25
Henry Jones, use water tub	3 00
Conn. River Lumber Co., lumber for school house shed	21 98
John Hastings, labor on school house shed,	2 62
Frank Moore, " " 23 hours	4 60
R. M. Johnson, " " 20 hours	3 00
T. F. Page, nails and spikes	1 65
R. B. Hall, use water tub	3 00
Alex. Warden, taking affidavits, pauper case,	1 00
John Hall, library trustee	45 90
C. H. Hosford, legal services	12 00
Alex. Warden, abatement,	15 93
H. J. Hazeltine, report births and deaths, 1896	3 75
	$ 385 29

TOWN OFFICER'S BILLS.

Paid Hugh Nelson, services auditor	$ 1 00
E. C. Emery, services supervisor	3 00
R. M. Johnson, services selectman	47 50

Paid Oscar Frazier, services selectman	$ 35 00
William Higgins, services selectman	16 00
C. B. Paddleford, services selectman (1896)	7 50
Edward Emery, services clerk and treasurer	39 77
F. H. Gibson, services supervisor	2 00
George I. Moore, services supervisor	6 00
Alexander Warden, collector	38 00
T. F. Page, services school district clerk	2 00
Newton Lang, services school board	7 00
Hugh Nelson, services school board (1896–97)	14 00
Freeman H. Cross, services selectman (1896)	9 00
C. H. Hosford, services school board	30 00
E. C. Emery, services supervisor (1895–96)	7 50
	$ 265 27

CARE OF POOR.

Paid T. F. Page, aid to Wm. Marshall,	28 77
J. M. Gibson, professional services for Wm. Marshall	14 25
Geo. F. Winch, casket and robe, Geo. Gilbert,	15 00
Geo. I. Moore, digging grave, "	3 00
Jane Hastings, rent for Wm. Marshall, a county pauper	3 00
	$ 64 02

MONEY PAID ON NOTES.

Paid Fred Colby	$ 449 44
Lucinda Turner	50 00
George D. Chase	368 55
J. A. Buffum	552 10
C. B. Paddleford	652 37
	$ 2,072 46

BILLS REPORTED.

Dr. Hazeltine, reporting births and deaths	$ 3 25
Dr. Gibson, " "	1 75
Dr. Elliott, " "	50
	$ 5 50

ASSETS.

Due from Alexander Warden, collector Feb. 15, 1898	$ 243 15
Cash in treasury, Feb. 15, 1898	248 99
Due from county	15 00
	$ 507 14

LIABILITIES.

C. B. Paddleford	$ 536 30
Edward Emery	390 72
Lucinda Turner	904 23
Phillip S. Moore	232 43
A. Warden	1,668 09
R. M. Johnson	1,807 39
Amount due on notes Feb. 15, 1898	$ 5,539 16
Less assets	507 14
Net debt	$ 5,032 02

EDWARD EMERY, Treasurer.

R. M. JOHNSON,
OSCAR FRAZIER,
WILLIAM HIGGINS. } Selectmen of Monroe.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and Selectmen of Monroe and find the same to be properly vouched and correctly cast.

ALEXANDER WARDEN.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Board submits the following report.

SCHOOL NO. 1. Miss Mary H. Moore taught the spring term; Miss Cora E. Remick, the fall term; and Albert Moore the winter term of the grammar school. The teachers were all diligent and did what they could to make the school a success, and the pupils who applied themselves to the work were well advanced in their studies. The spring term of the primary school was taught by Miss A. Jean Duncan; this was her first term and her pupils made good progress and her work was well done. The fall and winter terms of this department was taught by Miss Margaret S. Willey, with marked success. Miss Willey is well qualified for a teacher, and is very successful in imparting knowledge to her pupils.

SCHOOL NO. 2. Summer term was taught by Miss Ida M. Nelson and a success in every sense of the term. The fall term was taught by Miss A. Jean Duncan, who proved herself as before a very capable teacher. The winter term was taught by Miss Ida M. Drew. The term was a successful and satisfactory one. Miss Drew gave the school her best services and her pupils did good work.

SCHOOL NO. 3. The spring term was taught by Miss Cora E. Remick who gave to the work her best efforts, and the school was a good one. The fall term was taught by Miss H. Della Dustin, who is an interesting, energetic teacher and well discharged the duties of her position. The winter term was taught by Miss Jean P. Moore. Her work was well and thoroughly done, as her work always has been in our schools.

SCHOOL NO. 4. Spring term was taught by Miss Lizzie Lang. The school was well advanced during the term.

Miss Lang is a very efficient young teacher. The fall term was taught by Miss Josephine Thayer. This was her first term. Her work was quietly and well done.

School No. 5. The winter term was taught by Miss H. Della Dustin in the school house in old district No. 3, and nearly all pupils that attended the school No. 4, spring and fall terms, came to this school for the winter. The term was a very satisfactory one to the School Board and patrons of the school.

There seems to us to be increased interest in the schools in town. The trend seems to be in proper direction. We think our people are paying more attention to the affairs pertaining to the education of their children. There is an emphatic demand for good schools. There has been an increase in the percentage of the average daily attendance of scholars in the schools in the district for the past year, as shown by the registers, and we attribute this, in a large measure, to the sentiment of the community which determines the question of regular attendance at school of the children of school age. And we believe that there must have been a corresponding increase in the benefits received by such at-attendance.

Every child is entitled to the right to attend school. The children are the citizens of the future, and they have a right to demand of us an education. It is necessary to properly fit them for the discharge of their duties in life. Ignorant, they will be disqualified—a threat to the state and nation. When we stop for a moment and consider the fact that a very large per cent. of the children of our town receive all of their education in our common schools, we think our common schools should be complete and maintained, cost what they may. Shall we, as citizens, have done our full duty to the generation that is following so closely in our footsteps, and on whose shoulders the burdens we carry today must

soon fall, if we fail to heed the demand of those interested in the proper education of the children of the present time. Let common sense and common intelligence answer.

Number of pupils not less than 5 years of age who have attended public schools no less than two weeks, 124. Average daily attendance, 98. Number of visits by school board, 36. Number visits by citizens, 81.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

School No. 1. Grammar, Mary Frazer, Emma Kent, Howard Burrill, Jean H. Hosford, Earnest Heath. Primary, Willie Shanty, May Brown, Mabel Hunt, Georgianna StCroix, Mary StCroix, Winnie Johnson, Leslie Frazer, Mary Mehan.

School No. 2. Emily Cross, Orlean Lang.

School No. 3. Clinton D. Nelson, Ruth A. Nelson, Grace E. Mandigo, Rosa Trucatte.

School No. 4. Dora J. Brown, Josie N. Clair, Emma M. Eastman, Robert H. Dennis, Willie Lang, Gilbert Lang, Lester Lang.

Thirty weeks of school have been maintained through the year just closed. The Spring, Fall and Winter terms were ten weeks each.

PAID FOR TEACHERS' SALARIES AND BOARD.

1897, April 16,	Ida M. Nelson	$ 96 10
July 30,	Lizzie Lang	50 00
	Cora E. Remick	50 00
	Mary H. Moore	50 00
	A. Jean Duncan	30 00
	Ida M. Nelson	60 00
Nov. 3,	H. Della Dustin	57 50
5,	Margaret S. Willey	40 00
	Cora E. Remick	52 50

1897, Nov. 6,	A. Jean Duncan	$ 50 00
10,	Josephine Thayer	50 00
1898, Feb. 4,	Albert Moore	52 00
	H. Della Dustin	35 00
	Jeane Paddleford Moore	60 00
	Margaret S. Willey	45 00
5,	Ida M. Drew	60 00
	Agnes H. Gibson for board	25 00
	Hugh Nelson "	25 00
		$ 888 10

REPAIRS.

Setting glass	$ 50
Chart, Mrs. H. C. Kent	2 00
Amos Belknap, repairing door	15
Martin Turner, hanging curtain	25
E. A. Willey, setting glass, putting wood in shed	1 00
R. B. Hall, repairing banking "	3 00
E. A. Willey, heater and putting on	8 50
" repairs and lumber paid for	8 58
J. H. Goodrich repairs	2 95
Hugh Nelson, repairs	4 00
" building shed and lumber	17 50
W. J. Roy, lumber for repairs	3 50
Book labels	2 00
	$ 53 93

CLEANING ROOMS, BUILDING FIRES, CUTTING WOOD.

Geo. C. Gilbert	$ 2 50
Clinton D. Nelson, janitor	75
Fred Hunt	2 00
A. P. Mehan	2 00
Lester Mehan, janitor	3 00

Orlean Lang, spring term	$ 2 00
Margaret S. Willey	1 00
E. A. Willey	25
Geo. C. Gilbert	25
Orlean Lang, fall term	2 00
Sadie Lang	1 50
Harry Emery	4 00
Robert H. Dennis	1 90
Frank H. Willey	2 50
Gilbert Lang	2 50
Harry Emery	2 50
Lester Mehan	4 00
	$ 34 65

FOR CARRYING SCHOLARS, AND BOARD.

1897, July 27, Carrie M. Johnson	$ 13 50
Aug. 10, Joseph Clair	25 00
Nov. 11, Joseph Clair	25 00
" " boarding Henry George	7 50
1898, Jan. 10, Carrie M. Johnson	15 00
Feb. 10, Freeman M. Johnson	10 00
Feb. 10, Joseph Clair	25 00
	$ 121 00

FOR WOOD AND INCIDENTALS.

Oscar Frazer for wood	$ 8 25
E. E. Cross for wood	5 50
For express on supplies	4 80
Thomas Martin, as per bill	2 95
Town of Bath, tuition and use of books	12 00
	$ 33 50

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The School Board has received from the Selectmen:

Orders drawn in favor C. H. Hosford,	$ 1,185 00
Hugh Nelson,	58 48
	$ 1,243 48

DISBURSEMENTS.

The School Board has paid for

Teacher's salaries and board,	$888 10
For carrying scholars and board,	121 00
Cleaning rooms, building fires, etc.,	34 65
Repairs,	53 93
Wood and incidentals,	33 50
Hugh Nelson, for wood, and cash paid out, 1896 and 1897,	69 33
Cash on hand,	42 97
	$ 1,243 48

The Board has ordered wood, not yet paid for, estimated to cost, including cutting and putting into the sheds, $45.00.

We close this report forgetting all unkind criticism, and thanking the people and teachers who so kindly aided us in many instances, and made pleasant for the Board some difficult duties. Respectfully submitted.

HUGH NELSON,
C. H. HOSFORD.

Monroe, N. H., Feb. 25, 1898.

We hereby certify that we have this day examined the report of the School Board, and found the accounts correctly cast and properly vouched.

R. M. JOHNSON,
OSCAR FRAZIER.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF THE MONROE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

March 1, 1898.

It is gratifying to report our Free Public Library in a prosperous condition.

The librarian shows that six hundred and fifteen volumes have been loaned the past year, to January first. This proves our people are interested and appreciate the privileges of the library.

In making the selection of books we have adoped the rule to buy better books each year. It is our aim to select such as will be instructive and interesting to the young people as well as adults. These are mostly up to date publications by popular authors, more expensive and fewer in number than last year's purchase.

Anyone desiring books not owned by the library can have them added, if suitable for a library, by giving title and name of author to the librarian.

Among the new books ordered are the following: Earth and Its Story. Quo Vadis. Short sayings of Famous Men. Relics of Primeval Life. Aurora Borealis. How to Tell a Story, (Mark Twain). What Dress Makes of Us. Story of Cuba. What is Electricity? His First Charge. Farthest North, (Nansen). American Boys' Book of Sports. Camp and Trail. In Bamboo Lands. (For children.) Sweetheart's Travellers. Three Little Daughters of the Revolution. Adventures in Toyland, and others.

FINANCIAL REPORT, 1898.

Feb 1.	Balance on hand	$ 5 91
25.	Received of town treasurer,	45 90
		$ 51 81

John Hall,
Chairman Board of Trustees.

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